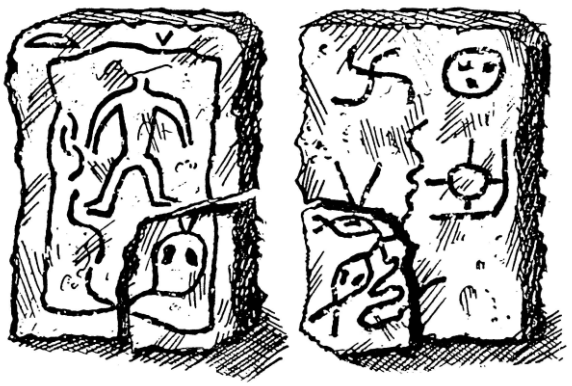
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The Day of Purification[1]

Long before Pahana, the white man ever set foot
in the Americas; long before the hegemony of the red race had been challenged by light-skinned people,
As the prophecies told us it would —
a spot in the immensity of the desert, a center of spiritual power,
was Hopi. The land of the peaceful ones.
The continent was different then:
much space, few to occupy it.

But the energy coming from Hopi is in realms
where communications are not of this world, in dimensions set by Taiowa and expressed by Massoua.
Hopi was the thread, the bridge,
the place of peace and balance.

If perhaps there is a name, a word, that can show the world what Hopi peace is — it is balance.
The world must grow, expand, but it must do it in balance.
Otherwise, nature, the great regulator, will take over,
as it is now, with floods, eruptions, famine, earthquakes.
This is nature at war, nature that will convince humankind
of the need for balance, to set in motion positive energies
to reestablish a world in balance.

From the days of discovery to this day, the need to preserve,
unite and insure the balance of the Hopi Way in a pact made long, long ago between the Great Spirit, Taiowa,
And ourselves, to preserve his way through this bond,
this promise, to sing the Song of Creation.

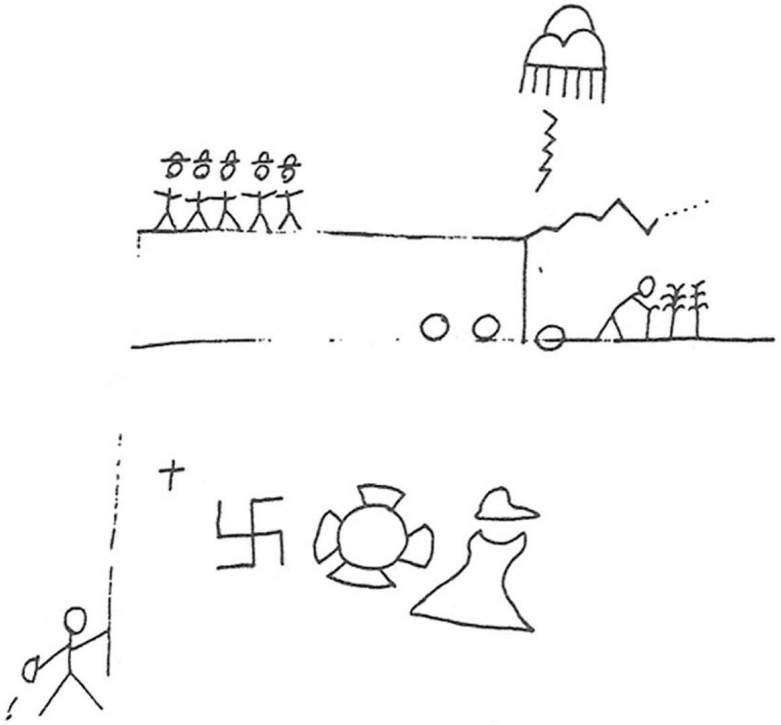
And for the rest of the world too —
now that the quality of life is at stake.
In the present days — we must have a model, a plan,
to be followed to bring at last the peace of ancient days
through balance of the present ones.
From the beginning, humankind never had more than two ways;
"prayer and meditation," as the leaven of human presence
on Earth. What is seen, touched, and felt is thought to be real,
rather than the reflection of the world of the unseen,
the real dimension of creation.

In the beginning, we are told, Taiowa, the Creator,
gave us his life plan, as it is written on the rock of Oraibi,
which we call the prophecy.

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[1] Robert Boissiere, *Meditations with The Hopi*, (Santa Fe, NM, Bear & Company, Inc., 1986) 109-115

If we hold fast to the sacred way as he devised it for us,
what we have gained, we will never lose.
But still, we have to choose between the two ways.
That is the balance of Taiowa's way.



Hopi Prophecy Diagram

For he will always meet us halfway. That is why on the sacred petroglyph he is portrayed holding in his hand the thread of the sacred way. In the other hand is the bow,
for the Bow Clan is the one which led us out of the Underworld,
at the beginning of the Hopi way.
That is what the arrow shot from the bow means on the rock.
The diagram shows two lines: the lower line
is the path of the Great Spirit, for in its last end, a man is bending
on the cane the old ones use, pointing to the corn,
which is the sacred food that nourished us from the start.
The old one shows he was the first and he will be the last.
And so will we if we hold fast to his pathway.

But next to him, beware of the other way,
the way of life of those who do not pray.
It is easy enough to see that their heads are not fastened
on their body, as it happens with people who use their mind,

instead of their faith in the spirit way.
As Taiowa's life plan shows, their line ends in a zig-zag way,
In the void of the mind of the faithless life
and the fruitless.

But there is another line on the sacred map drawn on the rock — a vertical line that connects the two ways.
It is like a ladder that some might use to change ways,
to go from the way of peace and balance —
Taiowa's Way, to a path that seems to many a much easier one.

Finally seeing that the Hopi Way of balance is the only chance,
many will choose to climb down the ladder,
to go through the Great Spirit gateway.
This time of confusion, in which many will choose either path,
is called a time of purification.

So it seems we now are all at this point in our lives,
where indeed purification is for the world, the order of the day.
This is the time, so the Great Spirit says,
where people will earn the name I chose for them: Hopi,
"the people of peace," the name they call themselves today.
The Hopi Way is a condition, a way of life,
and as an elder once said, "Our religion may be of benefit to others."
Indeed it is, for new clans of Hopi are born to teach
the way of balance,
the Hopi knowledge of peace, the Hopi way.

"Give love to all things, people, animals, plants,
and mountains; for the spirit is one, if Catsinas are many."
The Prophecy says the Earth will shake three times:
first the Great War, then the Second One,
when the Swastika rose above the battlefields of Europe,
to end in the Rising Sun sinking in a sea of blood.
The end of an Empire…or perhaps the beginning of another?
Now, what would the third one be?
This, the Prophecy does not say.
For it depends on which path humankind will walk:
the greed, the comfort, and the profit,
or the path of love, strength, and balance.

When strong-hearted people keep on singing the Song of Creation,
they will find the true path, forgotten by many,
so Grandpa David says.
When prayer and meditation are used rather than relying
on new inventions to create more imbalance,

they will also find the true path.
Mother Nature tells us which is the right way.
When earthquakes, floods, hailstorms, drought, and famine
will be the life of every day, the time will have then come
for the return to the true path, or going the zig-zag way.
Long ago, Massoua told us, "Remember the Pahana,
the white brother. He has the other stone tablet,
but he has not returned it, yet. He will be sent
so the people who held fast to the Hopi Way can be spared
from destruction.
He is the purifier, for people to go on with
the Great Spirit life plan.
It will then open our hearts and minds when a new age
is about to be, with people renewed and purified through fire.
It will be like the pure gold of a new day.
But fire is red, and when it takes command,
it will set the forces of nature in motion.
We will then know purification day has come.
We all are the caretakers of life.
The balance of nature depends on us.
The world will be what we want it to be.

The Hopi know what it should be. They kept the ceremonies
going to help them on the way, and remember what
the sacred path should be: live simply, humbly,
and in a balanced way, for the sake of all that live —
man, animal, plant, rock, and the sacred water.
But man has dropped from the sky the gourd full of ashes.
It boils the sea, burns the land — it indeed is the mystery egg!
It could trigger a rebirth or annihilate us all,
depending on which way we go.
Purification will come either way.
What will change it all is the Hopi Way.
To help the human race choose its way, nature will hold its balance…
regardless.
For it has a plan, a grid, a course that has been sown
in the beginning.
The great computer, we might say, has been fed
for all time to come.

So let us hold our breath, and play it right.
On this planet of our — this "Upperworld,"
as the Hopi would say — no matter how it ends,
we are all in it together.
How many worlds after this one?
The only issue is the individual choice we make.

When events come at us, is when our life gets its meaning.
This is when we do our best, for it is all we can do
to understand the experiences, good or bad,
    that make our life.

When we leave our own page of history, our best
is all that counts. When the time has come to pack,
and we find no room for all we wanted to take along with us
to the Underworld, our best is all that counts.

Introduction

American Indian prophecies do not speak about the end of the world, rather, a change of worlds — the beginning of a new Earth cycle. Such prophecies are not unlike those found in all the Holy Books of the world's revealed religions.

There is a difference between Western prophecies and those of native peoples. Western prophets see the future as the end of the world — Armageddon. When native prophets look down that same path, they see the completion of a great cycle — a *change* of worlds or the dawning of a new age.

The reason for these vastly different views is found in the way time is experienced. In the West, time is history. There is a past, a present, and a future: a beginning, middle, and an end, similar to a stick. Native peoples (as do the Mesoamerican people, and many Eastern cultures) experience time as a cycle. There are four stages, such as the seasons: spring, summer, autumn, and winter, similar to a hoop. Each stage is a preparation for the next. At the center of the hoop is a still timelessness; the eternal present around which the cycles revolve.

When interpreting dreams or prophecies it should be remembered that a literal approach is often misleading. Rather than the end of the world, what is implied is a transformation of consciousness from one view of the world to another, and the emergence of the new world. The same holds true when reading the various prophecies of Sacred Scripture.

For over a century, American Indian shamans have prophesied the end of an earth cycle and the return of all living things, which had vanished under the pressures of the present world. The time, we are told, is near.

Sioux & Navajo

The *Ogalala Sioux* have a myth of the end times:

> *"At the beginning of Time, a buffalo was placed in the West to stem the flooding waters. Every year this buffalo loses a hair, and during every age, a leg. When he is without hair and legs the waters will flood in, and a world cycle will come to its end. It is said that the buffalo now stands on one leg and is almost bald."*

Several other Indian seers, and whole groups of Sun-Dancers, have received visions which deserve notice here. The Seneca Grandfather Moses Shongo (died ca. 1925) foresaw a 25-year period of purification, lasting until the year 2012 or so, during which the Earth will purge itself.

In the late 1980s, while the *Blackfeet people* were convening their sacred Sun Dance, the skies darkened with black storm clouds that hid the sun. Then there was utter stillness. The clouds withdrew from around the sun, and a white cloud appeared in its place. The cloud drew near, changing its shape until it assumed the form of a man, suspended in mid-air and visible to the people. The being spoke, telling them "Do not be disturbed, but to be patient a little while longer, for He would come again and lead them out of the darkness into the light, and they would not suffer the same way again". Meanwhile, the people were to purify themselves with prayer and sweat lodges. Thus, they would be prepared to receive Him when He returned to live with them and lead them to peace at home.

The oral traditions of *the Navajo* also warn of the Time of the End. The Navajo expect a New Faith to come to them, like the dawn. At first, only a few people who are prepared and awaiting the event will be aware of it. Then more and more people, and eventually everyone, will see it. The Navajo chants say that there are two signs of the new Spirit. The first is a Nine-pointed Star that will come from the East and unify all races and nations with love. The second sign will be a great chief, also in the east, who will wear a headdress with twelve feathers. Each feather represents a spiritual principle, which he will teach. The *Navajo Unity Chant* says:

> *"In the Day of Unity you will walk in beauty; the beauty will walk before you; the beauty will walk behind you; you will be surrounded by beauty. Through the beautiful teachings of a new Prophet of God, these meanings will become very clear. Man himself in this Age has found many ways to create beauty. With these beautiful things, we must now have beautiful minds. With beautiful minds, we will have beautiful hearts. With beautiful hearts, we will talk in beauty. The speech of all men will be in beauty... Those who speak with beautiful speech will lead the world to beauty... The center of this beautiful speech comes from a Holy Mountain..."*

In May 1996, a 96-year old Navajo woman named Irene Yazzie claimed she was visited by two tribal deities at her hogan near Big Mountain in northeast Arizona. The deities, one of whom was identified as *Maasaw*, appeared as old men. They warned Yazzie thus:

> *"Drought, poverty and desolation on the reservation are all proof that the Navajos are in grave danger if they continue to forsake their traditions."*

In June 1996, the *Star Knowledge Conference and Sun Dance* was held on the Yankton Indian Reservation in South Dakota. The gathering was convoked in response to a vision received by Standing Elk, a spiritual leader of the Lakota Sioux. According to the vision (and in fulfillment of *Sioux* and *Hopi* prophecies), *Native Americans* were to share their knowledge about extra-terrestrial Star Nations. Shamans and spokespersons from a dozen tribes came because they too had seen signs, which indicated that they were to reveal their secret oral traditions about their tribal origins among the stars, and the return of the *Star nations.* In his address, Oglala Sioux holy man Floyd Hand said:

> *"Each Native American tribe has its extra-terrestrial race [ancestors]. The Star People will return in the latter part of the 1990s. Changes will happen as their time draws near. The first sign is floods, fire, and earthquakes. There will be a world Great Drought in 1997-1999. Many will starve. There will be destruction of electrical and sewer lines, loss of cities and many lives. In 1998, White Buffalo Calf Woman is coming back to Turtle Island [North America]. There are four omens. The First Omen was the recent birth of a white buffalo calf on a White ranch, whose hide eventually turned the other colors of the Four Nations (yellow, red and black). The Second Omen was the birth of another white buffalo calf to a Sioux rancher, but it died... The Third Omen was a third white calf, but no one is listening despite human suffering and death. The Fourth Omen will be the Star People coming and visiting in Santa Fe, New Mexico."*

The Dakota shaman Wambdi Wicasu (Deer Man) advised the gathering thus:

> *"The Star Nations are here to help us... We have to help the Earth come back into balance. Time as you know it is coming to an end, and sooner than you think. There will be no more cars or TVs."*

Judi Pope Koteen transmitted the following prophecy as it was told to Ghost Wolf, a Lakota pipe carrier and ceremonial leader:

> *"I will tell you a prophecy given to me by a Grandmother of the Seneca people. She told me we must work with the women to help heal their pain. In these times that are coming, she told me, we must learn to help women regain their power. If the women do not reclaim their power, it is told, the world will be lost. Because the men no longer act like men. They are not noble or proud, and they do not hold the words of the Creator close to their hearts.*
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> *"Men have become sick with ego, sick with greed, lost in confusion. They are no longer leaders, so their children do not learn, and the children wander aimlessly through life, without spirit. A human without spirit is like a ship without a sail. All you can do is float around, hoping to find a harbor.*
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> *"The Grandmother told me that in these times it will be the women who come to listen to these ways. It is the women who will remember who they are. Because women have lived for many thousands of years now, knowing who they were but never being able to speak the truth through their mouths. When the people left the Good Red Road and began to walk the black ribbon of road, the women were suppressed because the women kept warning the men that they were wandering from the ways...*
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> *"Heal the women. Then the women can heal the men, and together they can heal the earth.*

"I will speak to you now of another prophecy. In the next decade, the Star People that you call meteorites will come to this earth in answer to the Mother's call for help. You see, we are all relations. So, the Star People are beings, and they are the planets, and the other bodies in the heavens as well.

"The Sacred Mother is screaming for life and the meteorites will hear her cries and answer her call for help. They will hit the earth from the heavens with such force that many internal things will happen as well as external. The earth will move as a result of the impact. This will cause the sacred fire that is the source of all life to the Mother to move through her body. She is like a Great Bird within the egg, trying to crack out...

"The rains will change their fall and the winds will alter their course and what has existed for 300 years will no longer exist. And where there is summer, there will be fall. And where there is fall, there will be winter. And where there is winter, there will be spring.

"The animals and plants will become confused. The animals will think it is spring in the winter, and the cherries will come to blossom, and die in the frost. And in the summer, the winds will come from the North and the blanket of purity will fall and the fruit will die. And the animals that you raise will not be able to graze... These are the changes the Mother will warn us with.

"There will be great plagues that you do not understand. Many of these plagues are born from your scientists whose intentions have gone awry. Your scientists have let these monsters loose upon the land. These plagues will spread through your waters and through your blood and through your food because you have disrupted the natural chain through which your Mother cleanses herself.

"Only those who have learned to live on the land where the waters run pure... will find sanctuary. Go to where the eagles fly, to where the wolf roams, to where the bear lives. Here you will find life because they will always go to where the water is pure and the air can be breathed. Live where the trees, the lungs of this earth, purify the air. Go to where the trees give, from their breath to you, the cleansing and the purity, to where they protect you from the plagues... Snow is the great purifier. Go to where the blanket heals. Learn to live in these places. You will live through the changes... There is a time coming, beyond the weather. The veil between the physical and the spiritual world is thinning; it is coming back to life..."

Mary No-Eyes

Mary No-Eyes was an elderly *Shoshone woman*, blind but gifted with clairvoyance and prophecy. During the 1980s she told her prophecies to Mary Summer Rain, who recorded and published them. Speaking in broken English, Mary No-Eyes said:

"Earth Mother in bad labor. She gonna give birth to something great. She already in first labor hours... She be in great pain now... It be great Phoenix that gonna rise up again just like all times ago. He already here... He been forming for years now. He all ready to break out of Earth Mother's womb... She gonna give up great Phoenix soon..."

"Contraction/Economic Aspects
--- massive blue collar strikes, relocation of key factories overseas, computerization of factories, extended import & export embargoes & taxations, increased unemployment, widespread factory shutdowns, excessive taxation, small business failures, insolvency of many banks, stock market misdealing's & decline, drastic construction decline, devaluation of real estate, increase in corporate crime, drop in level of manufactured goods, increase of corporate monopolies & takeovers, widespread layoffs, runaway credit purchases, cash as only accepted tender.

"Emerging/Natural Disasters
--- Major devastation in California, earthquakes in new areas, inactive craters become unsettled, mountains become unstable, return of the dust bowl, record-breaking flooding, tornadoes increase intensity and occasion, liquefaction of soil beneath faults, increased hurricane devastation, freak wind gusts & accidents, soil erosion, increased radon levels, rock & mud slides, insect infestations, sink holes, rapid temperature inversions, frigid winters & deadly blizzards, summer storms with intensified hail & lightning, seeping natural gas (fires & explosions), underground fires, widespread surface blazes, major quake of the New Madrid Fault... Greenish hue to atmosphere... Phoenix days...

"Eyes Searching/Transportation Accidents --- Plane crashes increase, shipping disasters increase, higher incidence of train derailments & accidents.

"Listening/Freak Deaths & Accidents
--- Amusement park disasters, increase in homicide & suicide, freak household accidents, disease outbreaks, several catastrophic propane explosions, germ warfare release accident.

"Breath Heaving/Discord Between Nations
--- Grave economical differences, arms escalation, warring altercations, terrorism increases, undeclared wars, clandestine
dealing between countries, high level secrecy

"Wings Flexing/Spiritual Unrest & Awakening
--- Questioning masses, political church actions, government interventions, repression from certain religious sects, increased ***UFO*** sightings, interaction with other intelligences, acceptance of paranormal, acceptance of ongoing spirit afterlife, more religious sects going to court to force their personal restrictions on general public.

"The Wailing/Nuclear Incident
--- Several close meltdowns & leaks, seeping radioactive dump sites, two catastrophic meltdowns, radioactive pollution of land & rivers, several major accidents of nuclear missile trucks carriers and the transportation of nuclear waste, radioactive releases caused from geological instability.

"Talons Tensing/Civil Unrest
--- People's revolt and resistance movements, draft evasion, public's discovery of coverups, nuclear exchange.

"Crouching/Massive Revolts & Government Turnaround
--- Taxation refusals, war resistance, policy disagreements within government body, major upheavals within governments.

"Flying Free/Rise of the Age of Peace
--- Total equality among people, discontinuance of all meat ingestion, construction reforms, cessation of most severe natural disasters, pollution-free energy innovations by way of the Earth's magnetic field, rise of the Indian nation through widespread adaptation of its Ways of natural living and deep human philosophy."

Black Elk

When Black Elk was nine years old, he had yet to see his first Wasichu, or white man. There were still vast herds of buffalo, and the Indian way of life, Black Elk believed, would last forever. That year, 1872, he had a vision in which he traveled four ascents with his people, which he understood to be the four generations he would know.

At the first ascent, the people camped in a circle. At the center of the circle stood the holy tree. But when they camped at the second ascent, Black Elk saw the leaves falling from the sacred tree. [This sacred or holy tree is similar to the Tree of Life in Judeo-Christian scripture.]

At the camp of the third ascent, he saw the Black Road of conflict before them. He saw, too, that the nation's hoop was broken, the sacred tree was dying and all its birds were gone. There he saw that "all the animals and fowls that were the people ran here and there, for each one seemed to have his own little vision that he followed and his own rules; and all over the universe I could hear the winds at war like wild beasts fighting…It was dark and terrible about me, for all the winds of the world were fighting. It was like rapid gunfire and like whirling smoke, and like women and children wailing and like horses screaming all over the world." The time of the third ascent was the time of the generation living in the 1850's.

At the fourth ascent a Voice said: "Behold this day, for it is yours to make. Now you shall stand upon the center of the earth to see…" Then Black Elk stood on the highest mountain of them all, "and round about beneath me was the whole hoop of the world. And while I stood there I saw more than I can tell and I understood more than I saw; for I was seeing in a sacred manner the shapes of all things in the spirit, and the shape of all shapes as they must live together like one being. And I saw that the sacred hoop of my people was one of many hoops that made one circle, wide as daylight and as starlight, and in the center grew one mighty flowering tree to shelter all the children of one mother and one father. And I saw that it was holy. [The book of Revelation states: *"Then he showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal…through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations."]*

Black Elk's vision of the fourth ascent was one of hope and brotherhood. Because that world did not come to pass during his lifetime, Black Elk believed that in some way he had failed his vision. His vision, however, was for a more distant future.

Rolling Thunder

While working for the Menninger Foundation in 1971, Doug Boyd met Rolling Thunder, a spiritual leader of the Cherokee and Shoshone tribes. About the shaman, Boyd wrote, *"Each day it was becoming clearer to me that Rolling Thunder was a teacher who could offer me insights that I could never achieve in the laboratory or discover in the library."*

One day during lunch, Rolling Thunder explained the Indian's view of chaos through ecological imbalance.

"When you have pollution in one place, it spreads all over. It spreads just as arthritis or cancer spreads in the body. The earth is sick now because the earth is being mistreated, and some of the problems that may occur, some of the natural disasters that might happen in the near future are only the natural readjustments that have to take place to throw off sickness. A lot of things are on this land that don't belong here. They're foreign objects like viruses or germs. Now, we may not recognize the fact when it happens, but a lot of the things that are going to happen in the future will really be the earth's attempt to throw off some of these sicknesses. This is really going to be like fever or like vomiting, what you might call a physiological adjustment.

"It's very important for people to realize this. The earth is a living organism, the body of a higher individual who has a will and wants to be well, who is at times less healthy or more healthy, physically and mentally. People should treat their own bodies with respect. It's the same thing with the earth. Too many people don't know that when they harm the earth they harm themselves, nor do the realize that when they harm themselves they harm the earth...

"It's not very easy for you people to understand these things because understanding is not knowing the kind of facts that your books and teachers talk about. I can tell you that understanding begins with love and respect. It begins with respect for the Great Spirit, and the Great Spirit is the life that is in all things -- all the creatures and the plants and even the rocks and the minerals. All things -- and I mean all things -- have their own will and their own way, their own purpose; this is what is to be respected.

"Such respect is not a feeling or an attitude only. It's a way of life. Such respect means that we never stop realizing and never neglect to carry out our obligation to ourselves and our environment."

Rolling Thunder offers a philosophical or religious basis for contemporary ecological thought. His view is fundamental to understanding Native American belief systems. Certainly, there are sound scientific reasons supporting the various ecology movements, and for scientific minds that may be enough. However, integrating both views may ultimately prove more reliable and productive than choosing one or the other.

Lame Deer

The Ghost Dance prophecy was not buried at Wounded Knee. The hippies, with their long hair and beads, the ecology, back-to-the-earth, and the New Age movements among the whites, are all, according to believers, evidence of the fulfillment of the prophecy.

Lame Deer, a 20th century shaman among the Sioux, had this vision of America's future. "Listen," he said, "I saw this in my mind not long ago: in my vision the electric light will stop sometime. It is used too much for TV and going to the moon. The day is coming when nature will stop the electricity. Police without flashlights, beer getting hot in the refrigerators, planes dropping from the sky, even the President can't call up somebody on the phone. A young man will come, or men, who'll know how to shut off all electricity. It will be painful, like giving birth. Raping’s in the dark, winos breaking into the liquor stores, a lot of destruction. People are being too smart, too clever; the machine stops and they are helpless, because they have forgotten how to make do without the machine. There is a Light Man coming, bringing a new light. It will happen before this century is over. The man who has this power will do good things too -- stop all atomic power, stop wars, just by shutting the white electro-power off. I hope to see this, but then I'm also afraid. What will be will be.

"I am trying to bring the ghost dance back," Lame Deer said, "but interpret it in a new way. I think it has been misunderstood, but after eighty years I believe that more and more people are sensing what we meant when we prayed for a new earth and that now, not only the Indians, but everybody has become an endangered species. So, let the Indians help you bring on a new earth without pollution or war. Let's roll up the world. It needs it."

Sun Bear

As recently as 1979 we were offered another vision, this time from Sun Bear of the Bear Tribe Medicine Society. In the Native American earth awareness magazine, *Many Smokes,* Sun Bear wrote:

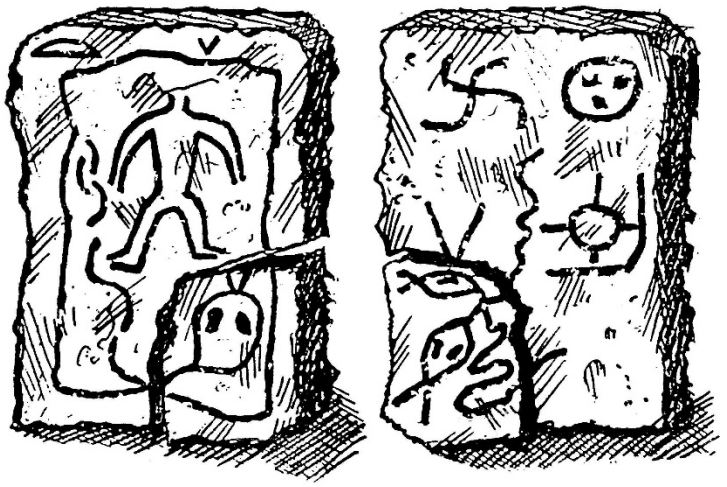
"I saw people living together in groups sharing and helping each other, Indian and non-Indian alike. I saw the Earth Mother being healed as people began to show real love for the land. But first, I saw whole cities become desolate because there was no way left for people to support themselves. I wondered at this when this nation seemed to be all-powerful. Then I saw the vision of the great drought years, a time when the Earth Mother would withhold all increase...

"I saw camps of people around natural water, such as rivers, creeks, and springs, working hard to produce their food, but thankful to be alive, for only here and there were small bands of people alive, and they were thankful to the Great Spirit that they were. When people came together, they embraced with love, even those who were strangers before that moment, because they knew.

"There were only a few people surviving these changes. I've seen major destruction, and people fleeing great cities, and other people dying from pollution, and cities abandoned, and I wondered how, until these last few years when I see California and other places, which no longer have the water, electricity, or natural gases to care for their cities.

"Then I understood what I saw before. We were told that our people would lay as if dead in the dust, and then we would rise up on the land again. We were told that the sons and daughters of the possessors of our land would come to us and accept our ways, and that we would live together as one people sharing the land and sowing love and understanding for each other."

Hopi Prophecy



In the course of their communion with the Great Spirit, Native Americans have received many visions of the destiny of North American civilization. The largest numbers have been preserved by *the Hopi* in Arizona. As prophesied by the Paiute and the Sioux, the emergence of a new world, is also a future envisioned by the Hopi. In the *Book of the Hopi* it states: "World War III will be started by those people who first received the light [the divine wisdom or intelligence] in the other old countries.

> *"The United States will be destroyed, land and people, by atomic bombs and radioactivity. Only the Hopi [the people of peace] and their homeland will be preserved as an oasis to which refugees will flee.*
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> *"The war will be a spiritual conflict with material matters. Material matters will be destroyed by spiritual beings who will remain to create one world and one nation — that of the Creator. "That time is not far off."*

The Hopi believe that the human race has evolved through three world stages of life since its origin. Each of these worlds was destroyed in turn, and human life was purified and nearly ended by the Great Spirit because of man's corruption and greed.

In the Hopi cosmology, the universe at first was only infinite blackness in the mind of *Taiowa*, the Creator. Taiowa made *Sotuknang*, the first man, and commanded him to order the cosmos. On the first day, Sotuknang divided the universe into nine worlds. One world was reserved for Taiowa, one was for Man, and seven were for future worlds. The present is the Fourth World. world, *Kuskurza*. There, man built cities and tall buildings, and departed further still from the Creator's nature, becoming very evil. Kuskurza in turn was destroyed by flood.

When the Hopi's ancestors emerged from *the underworld*, they met the demigod *Maasaw*, who owns this world. Maasaw had been caretaker of the Third World, but because of his pride, he had been demoted to become the god of death. When Kuskurza was destroyed, Taiowa gave Maasaw another chance and appointed him to be the guardian of this world. The people asked Maasaw for permission to live in the new land of *Turtle Island* (*North America*). Maasaw said:

"It is up to you, whether you are willing to live my poor, humble and simple life. It is hard, but if you are willing to live according to my teachings and instructions and will never lose faith in the life I shall give you, you may come and live with me. Now you look at me. I am a poor man. I have almost nothing: I have only my planting stick, my seed corn, and a jug of water. I live a simple life. If you wish to live with me, you must sacrifice many things. If you want me for your leader, your chief, you must prove that you can live this way of life.

"Now look around. See this land. It is poor land. There is not much water and very few trees. But this is the richest land. There is great wealth under. But hear this warning --- you are not to disturb this land and take this wealth out as long as there is still war going on. If you do, these things will be used to destroy life and this will not be your salvation...

"Never disturb this land. Do not cede your land to anyone; don't ever give it away. Above all, it is to provide your nourishment. Hold this land dear like a mother as long as you live. If you sell it you will no longer reap crops. Be prepared: one after another people will approach you and put you to the test in this matter.

"If, in addition, you are willing to adopt the religion which I practice, you will derive further benefits for your life... But you have arrived with great ambitions and expectations. When you fall into your evil ways again, you will make me weep...

"All right, you have settled in a desert, yet the land is filled with riches. You reside on the very backbone of the earth. All kinds of precious things are buried in this earth. There exists a storehouse of treasures underground but you must not dig them up yet.

"Three times big war will rage. Should you excavate these treasures while the killing is taking place, powerful weapons will be forged from them and people will be slain by them. If you act on your own in this matter, you will do wrong. Not before the day of purification has been completed, may you unearth these things. At that time, people will benefit from them. However, if these wars ever take place here, don't pick up your weapons, and don't engage in the business of killing..."

The people asked Maasaw to be their leader, but he declined. He said:

"A greater one than I has given you a plan to fulfill first. When the previous parts of the world were pushed underwater, this new land was pushed up in the middle to become the backbone of the earth. You are now standing on its west side slope. But you have not yet made your migrations. You have not yet followed your stars to the place where you will meet and settle. This you must do before I can become your leader. But if you go back to evil ways again I will take over the earth from you, for I am its caretaker, guardian, and protector... So go now and claim the land with my permission."

Maasaw then placed four different colors and sizes of corn before the leaders of the four different racial groups, and had each one choose which would be their food in this world. The Hopi were the last to choose, and they picked the smallest ear of multi-colored corn. Pleased by their choice, Maasaw said:

"It is well done. You have chosen the real corn, for all the others are imitations inside of which are hidden seeds of different plants. You have shown me your intelligence; for this reason I will place in your hands these owa tutuveni [sacred stone tablets], symbols of

power and authority over all land and life to guard, protect, and hold in trust for me until I return to you in a later day, for I am the first, but I am also going to be the last."

One of the three Bear Clan tablets describes the land from the Grand Canyon to the Rio Grande, which was granted by Maasaw to the Hopis. Another tablet is inscribed with mnemonic symbols of prophecies. A third tablet maps the allocations of farmland to the various clans, and delegates leadership to the Bear Clan. The fourth tablet is a very precise map of the location of the *Sipaapuni*, the great underground city where the Hopi ancestors hid during the destruction of the past worlds.

The symbols on the front of the tablet now held by the Fire Clan show what the Hopi consider being the mask of Maasaw and the swastika pattern, which represents the Hopi migrations. One corner is missing.

The chief of the Bow Clan led the faithful Hopi to this new land, but he fell into evil ways. His two sons rebuked him for his mistakes, and after he died, they assumed the responsibilities of leadership. Then Maasaw sent the *Elder Brother* to the east and across the ocean. Upon reaching his destination, he was to start back to look for his younger brother, who remained on Turtle Island. The Elder Brother's mission was to help his younger brother to bring about Purification Day, when evil people would be punished and destroyed. Afterwards, real peace, brotherhood, and everlasting life would be established.

The younger brother was instructed to travel throughout *Turtle Island* and mark his trail with the petroglyphs we see today. This was done to claim the land, and to record and preserve the history of the Indians throughout the reign of white men. The whites would destroy most of the Native Americans' oral history and culture before destroying themselves also.

A great white star would appear when the Elder Brother reached his destination. All people were to settle wherever they happened to be at that time, and there they were to remain until the Elder Brother returned.

The Hopi settled in *Tuuwanasavi*, the area now known as *Four Corners*, where the state lines of *Arizona*, *New Mexico, Utah* and *Colorado* meet. This area is the "*heart*" of Turtle Island and of Mother Earth, and it is the microcosmic image of the entire planet. There, the Hopi lived a simple life as stewards of the land, which produced abundant crops despite being a desert. Their *katsina* ceremonies serve to maintain the balance of natural forces and to reaffirm their faith in *Taiowa*, in Maasaw and other spirits, and to show respect for all life.

Maasaw told the Hopi that after a time Pahana, White Man, would come and take their land and try to lead the Hopi into evil ways. Life would be *Koyaanisqatsi* ("World out of balance"). The Hopi were told that they must hold to their ancient religion and their land, and they must do it without violence. Maasaw promised that if they succeeded, their people and land would be a center where the True Spirit would reawaken.

Maasaw said that after many years, the Elder Brother might change the color of his skin, but his hair will remain black, and he will wear it long, in a braided tail. He will wear a red cloak or a red cap, which resembles the back of a horned toad. He will speak the Hopi language, and he will be able to write. He will follow no religion but his very own. He will bring (or come to recover) the missing corner of the *Owa Tutuveni*, and he will correctly interpret the tablets. *The Hopi* are to meet him on the trail on the east side of Oraibi if he is on time (on the last day of Soyal, the winter solstice ceremony), or on the trail to Sikya'wa (Yellow Rock), at Chokuw (Pointed Rock), Nahoyungvasa (Cross Fields), or at Tawtona (Where the Sun Ray Goes Over the Line) below Oraibi if he is 5, 10, 15, or 20 years late. Then, great judgment and punishment will take place. The *Elder Brother* will help the younger brother obtain justice. In one day, he will gain control of the whole continent. Even *the Hopi* people must beware:

"If he comes from the East, the destruction will not be so bad. But if he comes from the West, do not go up on your housetops to see because he will have no mercy."

It is said that the *Elder Brother* will bring with him two great, intelligent and powerful helpers. One will have a sign of a swastika and the sign of the sun. The first helper can be interpreted to represent the German-Japanese Axis of World War Two. From the Hopis' perspective, these enemies of the *USA* were doing the Indians a real service. The second helper will have the sign of a Celtic Cross with red lines between the arms of the cross. In Hopi symbology, this form of cross represents women, and the red lines indicates their menstrual flow. The symbol represents their liberation and the *revival of matriarchal power* after ages of suppression.

Maasaw warned that if these great beings failed, terrible evil would befall the world and great numbers of people would be killed. However, they would succeed if enough Hopi remained true to the ancient spirit of their people. Unfortunately, there are very few traditionalist Hopis remaining today, so the situation looks very bleak.

Hopi prophecy states that World War III will be started by the people who first received the light -- China, Palestine, India and Africa. When the war comes, the United States will be destroyed by "a gourd of ashes" which will be thrown to the ground. The rivers will boil, the earth shall burn, and no grass will grow there for many years. It will cause a disease that no medicine can cure. This can only mean that *nuclear weapons* will be used against the USA. The Hopi traditionalist Thomas Banyaca has said that if many US soldiers are sent overseas, they will be killed by atomic bombs, and then *Turtle Island* also will be bombed. "Men will fall from the sky", meaning that invading soldiers will parachute to earth. Another Hopi prophecy states:

"When the Blue Star Kachina dances in the plaza, the time of the great trial will be here... The end of all Hopi ceremonies will come when a Kachina removes his mask during a dance in the plaza before uninitiated children. For a while, there will be no more ceremonies, no more faith. Then Oraibi will be rejuvenated with its faith and ceremonies, marking the start of a new cycle of Hopi life."

The following Hopi prophecy was first published in a mimeographed manuscript that circulated among several Methodist and Presbyterian churches in 1959. While driving along a desert road one hot day in the summer of 1958, a minister named David Young stopped to offer a ride to a Hopi elder, who accepted with a nod. After riding in silence for several minutes, the elder said:

"I am White Feather, a Hopi of the ancient Bear Clan. In my long life, I have traveled through this land, seeking out my brothers, and learning from them many things full of wisdom. I have followed the sacred paths of my people, who inhabit the forests and many lakes in the east, the land of ice and long nights in the north, the mountains and streams of jumping fish in the west, and the places of holy altars of stone built long ago by my brothers' fathers in the south. From all these I have heard the stories of the past, and the prophecies of the future. Today, many of the prophecies have turned to stories, and few are left — the past grows longer, and the future grows shorter.

"And now White Feather is dying. His sons have all joined his ancestors, and soon he too shall be with them. But there is no one left, no one to recite and pass on the ancient wisdom. My people have tired of the old ways. The great ceremonies that tell of our origins, of our Emergence into the Fourth World, are almost all abandoned, forgotten.

Yet, even this has been foretold. The time grows short.

"My people await Pahana, the lost White Brother, as do all our brothers in the land. He will not be like the white men we know now, who are cruel and greedy. We were told of their coming long ago. But still we await Pahana.

"He will bring with him the symbols, the missing piece of that sacred tablet now kept by the elders, given to him when he left, that shall identify him as our True White Brother.

"The Fourth World shall end soon, and the Fifth World will begin. This the elders everywhere know. The signs over many years have been fulfilled, and so few are left.

"This is the First Sign: We are told of the coming of the white-skinned men, like Pahana, but not living like Pahana — men who took the land that was not theirs. And men who struck their enemies with thunder.

"This is the Second Sign: Our lands will see the coming of the spinning wheels of wood filled with voices. In my youth, my father saw this prophecy come true with his eyes — the white men bringing their families in wagons across the prairies.

"This is the Third Sign: A strange beast, like a buffalo but with great long horns, will overrun the land in large numbers. These White Feather saw with his own eyes — the coming of the white men's' cattle.

"This is the Fourth Sign: The land will be criss-crossed by snakes of iron.

"This is the Fifth Sign: The land will be criss-crossed by a giant spider's web.

"This is the Sixth Sign: The land will be criss-crossed with rivers of stone that make pictures in the sun.

"This is the Seventh Sign: You will hear of the sea turning black, and many living things dying because of it.

"This is the Eighth Sign: You will see many youth, who wear their hair long like my people, come and join the tribal nations, to learn their ways and wisdom.

"And this is the Ninth and Last Sign: You will hear of a dwelling place in the heavens, above the earth, that shall fall with a great crash. It will appear as a blue star. Very soon after this, the ceremonies of my people will cease.

"These are the Signs that great destruction is coming. The world shall rock to and fro. The white man will battle against other people in other lands — with those who possessed the first light of wisdom. There will be many columns of smoke such as White Feather has seen the white man make in the deserts not far from here. Only those, which come, will cause disease and a great dying. Many of my people, understanding the prophecies, shall be safe. Those who stay and live in the places of my people also shall be safe. Then there will be much to rebuild. And soon — very soon afterward — Pahana will return. He shall bring with him the dawn of the Fifth World. He shall plant the seeds

of his wisdom in their hearts. Even now, the seeds are being planted. These shall smooth the way to the Emergence into the Fifth World. "But White Feather shall not see it. I am old and dying. You — perhaps you will see it. In time, in time..."

The Hopi elder became silent. They had arrived at his destination, and Rev. Young stopped to let him out of the car. They never met again. Rev. Young died in 1976, so he did not live to see the further fulfillment of this remarkable prophecy.

The signs are interpreted thus:

- The First Sign is of guns, and the Second is of the pioneers' covered wagons.
- The Third Sign is of longhorn cattle.
- The Fourth describes railroad tracks, and the Fifth is a clear image of electric power and telephone lines.
- The Sixth Sign describes concrete highways and their effect of producing mirages.
- The Seventh Sign predicts catastrophic oil spills such as the Exxon Valdez.
- The Eighth Sign suggests the hippy movement of the 1960s and 70s.
- The Ninth Sign was the US space station Skylab, which fell to Earth in 1979.

According to Australian eyewitnesses, it appeared to be burning blue. Or, the Russian space station Mir may be indicated here.

Another version of this prophecy says that when a black ribbon (the highway) is built on the land, a bug (the automobile) will move on it, and this will be the sign for the first shaking of the Earth, World War 1. The first shaking will be so violent that the bug will be shaken off the earth and will begin to fly (the airplane), leaving a trail of dirt behind it. Eventually the sky will become so dirty that it will cause diseases that will become worse and worse. This may refer to the current controversy about "*chem-trails*", the aerial web of chemical sprays that are being spewed over America.

Another Hopi prophecy warns that nothing should be brought back from *the Moon* — obviously anticipating the Apollo 11 mission that returned with samples of lunar basalt. The Hopi warned that it would disturb the balance of natural and universal laws and forces, resulting in earthquakes, severe changes in weather patterns, and social unrest. All these things are happening today.

In 1948, the Hopi spiritualist leaders chose four representatives to approach the United Nations. Because of their prophetic knowledge, the Hopi leaders felt it was time to go east to the edge of *Turtle Island*, where a "House of Mica [glass] would stand at this time, where Great Leaders from many lands would be gathered to help any people who are in trouble." They were to go there when the lands of the Hopi and other Indian brothers were about to be taken away from them and their way of life was in danger of being completely destroyed by evil ones among the white men and by some other Indian brothers who were influenced by the white race. This is a clear and present danger because the infernal meddling of Christians, the betrayal of treaties by the federal government, the sale of tribal lands by Indians, and the ecological disasters caused by coal and uranium mining, are destroying the Hopi land and people, and all native Americans.

According to prophecy, at least one, two, or three leaders or nations would hear and understand the Hopi warnings, for they too should know the ancient instructions. Upon hearing the message of the Hopi, they were to act immediately to correct many wrongs being done to the Red Man. However, the Hopi might find that the doors of the Mica House would be closed to them:

"When Great Leaders in the Mica House refuse to open the door when you stand before it that day, do not be discouraged or turn about on the path you walk, but take courage, determination, and be of great rejoicing in your hearts, for on that day the White Race who are on your land with you have cut themselves from you and thereon lead themselves to the greatest Punishment at the Day of Purification. Men shall be destroyed for their sins and evil ways. The Great Spirit has decreed it and no one can stop it, change it, or add anything to it. It shall be fulfilled!"

In 1959, another delegation of six traditional Hopi elders, led by Dan Katchongva, traveled to the UN building. Their prophecies foretold that if the Hopi's request to address the House of Mica was refused after knocking (visiting) four times, mankind would surely be destroyed. Thomas Banyaca knocked for the fourth time in 1991, and was permitted to address the General Assembly for a few minutes during the opening ceremonies of the UN's International Year of Indigenous Peoples December 10, 1992. He was the last speaker, and only a few UN delegates remained to hear him. He said:

"We have made a sacred covenant to follow Maasaw, the Great Spirit's Life Plan at all times, which includes the responsibility of taking care of this land and life for his divine purpose. Our goals are not to gain political control, monetary wealth, or military power, but rather to pray and to promote the welfare of all living beings and to preserve the world in a natural way."

Banyaca then told the Hopi story of the previous worlds which were destroyed because of human greed, and warned that this world, too, is near its end. He said:

"This is now a time to weigh the choices for our future. We do have a choice. If you, the nations of this Earth, create another great war, the Hopi believe we humans will burn ourselves to death with ashes. That's why the spiritual Elders strongly urge that the United Nations fully open the door for Native spiritual leaders as soon as possible... The Native peoples of the world have seen and spoken to you about the destruction of their lives and homelands, the ruination of nature and the desecration of their sacred sites. It is time the United Nations used its rules to investigate these occurrences and stop them now."

Grandfather Banyaca requested that the UN protect the Four Corners area, because it will have a special purpose in the future survival of humankind. He asked that the UN keep its doors open for spiritual leaders of all peoples "to come to speak to you for more than a few minutes". He also invited world leaders to visit the Hopi country, and "sit down with our real spiritual leaders in their sacred kiva," and learn their "ancient secrets of survival and balance." The UN has failed to respond.

Between 1975 and 1986, a group of traditionalist elders and English-speaking Hopis cooperated to produce 44 issues of a newsletter called *Techqua Ikach* (Land & Life), totaling over 200 pages which outlined their prophetic message in great detail. In 1993, Thomas Mails was selected by Dan Evehema (then 100 years old) to represent the authorized prophecies. The resulting book *Hotevila* was written in complete secrecy to prevent interference from the *Hopi Tribal Council*. The prophecies transmitted in *Techqua Ikach* state:

"One day Hopi children with short hair or bald heads would be the ears and mouth for the elders, and in time become the leaders. So the Hopi Tribal Council was formed...The Bahanas' government will gradually cease their responsibility in caring for the Native people... Any mistake we make will be our own doing. The Bahana government would not be responsible. Their influence would linger on in making sure we run our government the Bahana way, not by our own... traditional ways... If we link ourselves with a culture not of our own... it will be difficult to regain what we discard in the name of progress. Of course, we can continue to practice what we lose, but it will have lost its value. What happens at the end will be the consequences of our carelessness.

"According to prophecy, the Hopi are to be the last target. We are to be conquered, not by the Army and their weapons, but by our own people. By our sons and daughters without us lifting our hands. Their weapon will be what they learned through the education so kindly taught by the Bahana... The Bahanas will pat the back of the conquerors while cheering and applauding. They will be satisfied that they are not required to finish the task which they set out to accomplish. It is our own people who bring this about and the Bahanas, therefore, cannot be blamed. The conquest will be over and all Native People will be finished. This is a sad ending and it is a pity that we must end this way...

"It is said if purification does not come, our Great Creator will take the land back because we do not care for the land and we don't deserve to be on it. The above subject, to our children, is soundless and has no meaning...

"One day our own children may become our enemies. Schools will destroy the sacred balance of Hopi life. They will interrupt the traditions and people will forget the instructions of Maasaw. This destruction will reach much further than our village. The whole Earth could go off balance.

"As foretold, all of this information must come out into the open at the period when we are about to be overcome by harmful elements and can step no further...

"Just two or three righteous people will be able to fulfill the Creator's mission. Even one truly righteous would be able to do it...

"Three people were named who were to help the Hopi when we reached the crisis of no return. The Paiute Indian was to help according to his wisdom, but if he is unable, the Navajo Indian will help also, according to his wisdom. If their efforts fail then Bahana will come to aid. This is where we are now...

"So it was predicted that one day we would encounter the presence of people with ways different from our own; they will pose as good-hearted. Their words will be charming and they will multiply like ants. We must not be deceived by them, for the vines of their kingdom will spread throughout the land, diluting and dissolving everything that gets in its way. We must be cautious and not covet or adopt any of their ways, for it will forever be a curse upon our nation....

"It is said, among the Bahana the people of the Cross will appear on our land. They will be kind and helpful with good hearts. Beware, for they will be the instruments of Bahana's kingdom and will seduce you into forsaking the laws of our Great Creator.

The wicked of our people will join their flock to clear their sins, but this will be in vain... "One day a strange people will appear in our midst, people who will create man in his own image.

Once given his language and knowledge, our people will become the instrument by which he will try to rule over us and carve the rest of us into his image. Our own people will become his tools, and he will make certain they do a good job.

"But if we remain strong and firmly rooted, we will not be reshaped, whereas others will slump because they are rootless. So, when the tests come we must possess the strength to preserve ourselves...

"The Earth is like a spotted fawn, and each spot has a duty to make the body function. Hopiland is the center of the earth's body. It is the spot of power with the duty to foretell the future by comparing the actions of mankind with the prophecy told them..."

Martin Gawanesha, a traditionalist Hopi elder, emphasizes that most of the events predicted by their prophecies already have happened, and that the Great Purification is imminent:

"Life has become out of balance. When people are so out of balance, some one will hear our voice and our White Brother will answer the call and clean away the evil ones. According to prophecy, when the purification is over, only a handful of people will survive in every nation overseas. Then they will come to this continent, which we call heaven. This is where the Creator first lived and that's what he called it. He sent his own son from Oraibi to Bethlehem in order to be born there. The Hopi already knew that the morning star would rise one day and someone special would be born...

"In our prophecies there are two brothers, one dark-skinned younger brother and the light-skinned elder who we call the White Brother. Together they will decide how the purification will be accomplished.

"The two brothers were with us when we first came to this continent. When their father passed away, the elder brother went out in the direction of the sunrise and the younger brother stayed here. They had agreed the elder brother would go, but would not stay away too long. He would return when people would travel on a road built in the air. At that time, we would know that the earth had been corrupted to the point that it must be purified.

"We've come to that point now. Everything has been corrupted. Because we are out of balance, we don't obey the laws... It's too late now for gradual voluntary corrections...

"As Hopis... we are calling for the purification because it is our obligation. We're ready; we want it to happen... We've already gone over the time limit that was given to us in the prophecy..."

During the Hopi Hearings of 1955, many elders spoke forth to remind people of the ancient prophecies. One elder said:

"Then the sun won't be as hot any more, and the summer season will grow shorter and shorter. One day the weather will no longer get warm. You will experience snowfall at the height of planting time. Then you will have to sow wearing gloves and long underwear. To sow, the farmer will have to push aside the snow, dig a hole, and then plant his seeds. It will come to this if you extract those precious things from the earth.

"And all the grasses across the land, which many different animals feed on to raise their young, will not grow as before. In the future, the animals will suffer great hardships. Then the grasses will not sprout. There will be no point in having rain; nothing will grow as it used to.

"Gradually your corn plants will produce only tassels and then everything will freeze. And when you replant, only tiny, stunted ears will appear, and then they too will freeze. The third time you sow, the stalks will still be short before the frost strikes. By the fourth time, the plants will barely have pierced the earth before freezing. All of these predictions Maasaw made to the Hopi."

The newsletter *Techqua Ikach* warned people thus:

"When the end is near, we will see a halo of mist around the heavenly bodies. Four times it will appear around the sun as a warning that we must reform, telling us that people of all color must unite and arise for survival...

"We were warned the ice will grow again. Should the [Flute] Clans with the controlling powers vanish or stray away from the great laws of the Creator, there will be no way of stopping the ice buildup. So the time will come when we will experience late springs and early frosts, this will be the sign of the returning Ice Age...

"The time will come when from the Earth will arise a mystic fog which will dilute the minds and hearts of all people... A sudden eruption will explode in the midst of their follies, and this will... creep over the earth. Then men will destroy each other savagely...

"The day will come when people in high places will be hunted and vice versa, the lowly hunters will be hunted. This will get out of control. The hunting will gather strength and spread far and wide...

"The period of this age will close by the gourd of ashes, which will glow brighter than the Sun. The earth will turn over four times and mankind will end up in the lowest level of darkness there they will crawl around on all fours forever. Then the spirits of our Ancient Fathers will return to reclaim the land. They will mock the lowly man for he will no longer deserve or be worthy of the land. Only those who are obedient to the guidance of the Great Creator's laws will survive... the true brother and sister will give a rebirth to the Earth and renew its life."

The Elder Thomas Banyaca adds this warning:

"If corruption of nature becomes so thick and pollution so thick, we will be in darkness, and if we don't change things, the animals... they're going to yell at us. Pretty soon the eagles flying over us will be going to cry at us; when you walk in the woods, the trees, some will cry at you --- because human beings are supposed to take care of them also, through prayer, meditation, and ceremony instead of *destroying them with machinery and inventions that you have made..."*

It is also said elsewhere in Hopi prophecy that *"Turtle Island could turn over two or three times and the oceans join hands and meet the sky."* Several passages in the Bible also suggest that the Earth will some day roll over in its orbit (Isaiah 13:13; and 24:1, 19, 20, 23; Matthew 24: 29; Revelation 6:12-14; II Peter 3:10; Amos 8:8, 9). [Since 1931, geophysicists have detected nearly 500 shifts of the north magnetic pole, moving northwest.]

Today, we have a greater understanding of ancient prophecies of the American Indian and of the Hopi, in particular. As we have seen, some prophecies of the Hopi have been fulfilled: the car, telephone lines, etc. The most remarkable prophecy, that of the return of the white brother, has also been fulfilled. The *Pahana* returned, bringing with him the missing cornerstone of the tablet and has explained the meaning of the Hopi Fire Clan Tablet.

Hopi Prophecies for the Coming of the Promised Pahana

Bahana* means people of Bahá.

The Pahana comes from the Father Sun in the east. Bahá'u'lláh is the "Father Sun".

He has come with a Nine-Pointed Star, which is a symbol for the Bahá'í Faith.

The Red Robe and Red Hat symbolizes Bahá'u'lláh's Revelation. The Pahana establishes this revelation in the world through his explanation of the Covenant.

He has brought the missing corner-stone to the Hopi Fire Clan Tablet and has deciphered the tablet's hidden meaning.

He has brought the sacred "Tablet of the Stone" that matches the Hopi tablets.

He has come to reveal the "Guardian of the Land", who will be the Hopi's "Head" in the new age of peace and justice on earth.

Bahá'í Prophecies for the coming of the Establisher of the Bahá'í Faith

He is the "Seventh Angel" mentioned in the Book of Revelation, who is prophesied to establish the Kingdom of God as revealed by Bahá'u'lláh.

> *The seventh angel is a man qualified with heavenly attributes, who will arise with heavenly qualities and character…in that day of God, the spiritual and Divine Kingdom will be established.*[2]

He was born during the lifetime of 'Abdú'l-Bahá, designated as the Center of the Covenant.

> *Verily that infant is born and exists and there will appear from his cause a wonder which thou wilt hear in the future. Thou shalt see Him with the most perfect form, most great*

*this term is spelled both ways; Pahana and Bahana

[2] *Some Answered Questions*, 'Abdú'l-Bahá, 1981, 56,57

gift, most complete perfection, most great power and strongest might!..Therefore, forget not this account as long as thou art living, for as much as there are signs for it in the passing centuries and ages.[3]

O thou dear friend — Know that the Distinguished Individual of every age is according to the virtues of that age. The Distinguished Personage who was in the former cycle, His power and virtues were according to the former age, but in this brilliant age and divine cycle, the noble Personage, the Radiant Star, the Distinguished one, will manifest with virtues which will eventually amaze the peoples, for he is in spiritual virtues and divine perfections loftier than all the Individuals; nay, rather, He is the Source of Divine Benediction and the Center of the Radiant Circle. He is certainly comprehensive. There is no doubt that He will reveal Himself to such a degree as to bring all under his overshadowing shelter.[4]

The Guardian of the Land is the Hopi and Bahá'í "Head"

The Hopi "Guardian of the Land" is the same as the Guardian of the Cause of God, who is the "Head" in the Bahá'í Faith.

By this House is meant the Universal House of Justice, that is, in all countries a secondary House of Justice must be instituted, and these secondary Houses of Justice must elect the members of the Universal one…By this body [of elected members of the Universal House of Justice] all the difficult problems are to be solved and the guardian of the Cause of God is its sacred head and distinguished member for life of that body. Should he not attend in person its deliberations, he must appoint one to represent him.[5]

The guardians of the Cause of God are descendants of King David, either through blood-line or adoption, as an adopted individual has all the same rights and privileges of a natural child. Bahá'u'lláh was a direct male descendant in the line of Davidic kings and thus proclaimed, *"the Ancient Beauty ruleth upon the throne of David."*

King David's throne is the Creator's throne on earth:

Then Solomon sat on the throne of the LORD as king instead of David his father…[6]

The guardians continue King David's line forever, just as the Creator had promised unto David. The theme of the Bible is the Creator's unbreakable and everlasting promise or covenant with King David.

Thou hast said, "I [the Creator] *have made a covenant with my chosen one, I have sworn to David my servant: 'I will establish your descendants for ever, and build your throne for all generations.'"…And I will make him the first-born, the highest of the kings of the earth. My steadfast love I will keep for him for ever, and my covenant will stand firm for him. I will establish his line for ever and his throne as the days of the heavens. If*

[3] 'Abdú'l-Bahá, *Tablets of 'Abdú'l-Bahá*, 1930, 484
[4] ibid 541
[5] 'Abdú'l-Bahá, *Will & Testament of 'Abdú'l-Bahá*, 1971, 14
[6] I Chronicles 29:23; also Psalms 132:13

his children forsake my law and do not walk according to my ordinances, if they violate my statutes and do not keep my commandments, then I will punish their transgression with the rod and their iniquity with scourges; but I will no remove from him my steadfast love, or be false to my faithfulness. I will not violate my covenant, or alter the word that went forth from my lips. Once for all I have sworn by my holiness; I will not lie to David. His line shall endure for ever, his throne as long as the sun before me. Like the moon it shall be established for ever; it shall stand firm while the skies endure." [7]

"In that day, I [the Creator] *will raise up the booth* [throne] *of David that is fallen and repair its breaches, and raise up its ruins, and rebuild it as in the days of old…"* [8]

Bahá'u'lláh's Covenant established the guardians as the continuation of King David's sons forever and fulfilled the Creator's everlasting promise with King David. The guardianship is forever — it will never end. In this regard, let us consider the following proclamations:

First: 'Abdú'l-Bahá, son of Bahá'u'lláh, spoke with the authority of God when he said it is incumbent upon the Guardian Shoghi Effendi to appoint his successor as guardian — meaning that Shoghi Effendi would appoint another successor.

"It is incumbent upon the guardian of the Cause of God [Shoghi Effendi] *to appoint in his own lifetime him that shall become his successor…"* [9]

Second: Shoghi Effendi spoke of future guardians to continue the "institution" of the guardianship.

"It should be borne in mind that the institution of the Guardianship…Exalted as is the position and vital as is the function of the institution of the Guardianship in the Administrative Order of Bahá'u'lláh…present and future guardians…" [10]

Third: Ruhiyyih Khanum, the wife of Shoghi Effendi, described the guardianship as the "hub" in the "wheel" of the Bahá'í Faith.

"…The principle of successorship endowed with the right of Divine interpretation is the very hub of the Cause into which its Doctrines and Laws fit like the spokes of a wheel — tear out the hub and you have to throw away the whole thing." [11]

The guardian is the center of both the Bahá'í Faith and Hopi prophecy. Without the guardian, there can be no Bahá'í Faith and Hopi prophecy becomes meaningless.

"Divorced from the institution of the Guardianship the World Order of Bahá'u'lláh would be mutilated and permanently deprived of the hereditary principle which as 'Abdú'l-Bahá has written, has been invariably upheld by the Law of God…Without such an institution the integrity of the Faith would be imperiled, and the stability of the entire fabric would be gravely endangered. Its prestige would suffer, the means required to enable it to take

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[7] Psalms 89:3, 4, 27-37; see also II Samuel 7:13-17; I Kings 2:4; 9:5; I Chronicles 22:10; II Chronicles 7:17, 18; Psalms 132:11-14.
[8] Amos 9:11; also, Jeremiah 23:5; 33:15
[9] 'Abdú'l-Bahá, *Will & Testament of 'Abdú'l-Bahá*, 1971, p.12
[10] Shoghi Effendi, *The World Order of Bahá'u'lláh*, 1980, pp 150,51
[11] Ruhiyyih Khanum, *Twenty-five Years of the Guardianship*, 1948, p.23

a ling, and uninterrupted view over a series of generations would be completely lacking, and the necessary guidance to define the sphere of the legislative action of its elected representative would be totally withdrawn.[12]

As quoted by the Hands of the Cause, the claim was put forth that there was no guardian to succeed Shoghi Effendi after he passed away in 1957 — thus claiming that the guardianship had come to an end.

"...the beloved Guardian had left no heir. The Aghsan (Branches, sons of Bahá'u'lláh) one and all are either dead, or have been declared violators of the Covenant by the Guardian for their faithlessness to the Master's ['Abdú'l-Bahá] *Will & Testament and their hostility to him named first Guardian in that sacred document…no successor to Shoghi Effendi could have been appointed by him.*[13]

The Guardian Comes to the Hopi in Their Land of America

The Hopi must await the Guardian of the Land to come to them in their land of America.

Bahá'ís believe the Throne of David will first be firmly established in America.

"O ye apostles of Bahá'u'lláh…America will assuredly evolve into a center from which waves of spiritual power will emanate, and the throne of the Kingdom of God will, in the plentitude of its majesty and glory, be firmly established." [14]

The Great Seal of America*, as displayed on the one-dollar bill, depicts King David's throne coming to America through Bahá'u'lláh's Revelation.



First: The 13 American stars are arranged in the shape of the Jewish six-pointed star of King David centered in a burst of glory surrounded by clouds. The Star of David symbolizes King David's throne established in America. The revelation of Bahá'u'lláh is represented by the burst of glory (Bahá) surrounded by clouds.

Second: On the Great Seal, the "Head Stone" of the Great Pyramid of Gizeh is surrounded by a burst of glory. The "stone" is symbolic for a descendant of David in scriptural literature. The guardian is both the "head" and the "stone".

* see appendix

[12] Shoghi Effendi, *The World Order of Bahá'u'lláh*, 1980, p.148
[13] Hands of the Cause of God in the Holy Land, quoted in U.S. Bahá'í News, December 1960, pp 6-8
[14] Shoghi Effendi, *The World Order of Bahá'u'lláh*, 1980, pp 77,78

'Abdú'l-Bahá adopted an American as his son to inherit and sit upon the throne. He publicly proclaimed Charles Mason Remey as his son in numerous letters:

> *"O My Dear Son!..."*
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> *"O thou enlightened and beloved son!..."*
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> *"To his honor, Mr. Charles Mason Remey. Upon him be Bahá'u'lláh El-Abhá! He is God!"*
>
> *"O thou herald of the Covenant! Thy letters have been received and an answer has been written."*
>
> *"Verily, thou art firm in the Covenant, art self-sacrificing, art the Son of the Kingdom and dost deserve the confirmation of His Holiness Bahá'u'lláh."*
>
> *"Consequently 'Abdú'l-Bahá is highly pleased with thee and begs for thee from His Holiness Bahá'u'lláh limitless bounties."*
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> *"As a result of these glad-tidings, fly on wings of joy and raise the melody, 'Happy am I, blessed am I.'"* [15]

Shoghi Effendi recognized Charles Mason Remey as 'Abdú'l-Bahá's son by right of inheritance, and thus penned in his own hand to him:

> *"Coagulated drops of Bahá'u'lláh's All-Sacred Blood and Ringlets of His Blessed Locks presented as my most precious possession to 'Abdú'l-Bahá's dear son Mr. Charles Mason Remey as a token of my Bahá'í affection and brotherly love."*
> -Shoghi
>
> and further:
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> *"Of all the remnants of Bahá'u'lláh's all Sacred Person, the most hallowed, the most precious, confidently delivered into the hands of my brother and co-worker in the Cause of God, Mr. Remey."*[16]

Shoghi Effendi thus appointed Charles Remey to succeed him as guardian. He declared his appointment of Mr. Remey in a series of writings to the Bahá'í world. First, he appointed Mr. Remey as President of the International Bahá'í Council, which he designated as the embryonic Universal House of Justice.

> *"...International Bahá'í Council, forerunner of supreme administrative institution... embryonic International institution, marking its development into officially recognized Bahá'í Court, its transformation into duly elected body, its efflorescence into Universal House of Justice..."* [17]

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[15] 'Abdú'l-Bahá, "Star of the West", Vol. 10: No. 7, July 13, 1919, p.144; Vol. 11: No. 13, November 4, 1920, p.229; Vol. 11: No. 15, December 24, 1919, pp 259,60

[16] Shoghi Effendi, March 1922, correspondence in his own handwriting.

[17] Shoghi Effendi, cablegram, January 9, 1951, in Shoghi Effendi, *Messages to the Bahá'í World*, 1950-1957, pp 7,8

"...International Bahá'í Council designed to...pave the way for the formation of the Bahá'í Court, essential prelude to the institution of the Universal House of Justice." [18]

"...Greatly welcome the newly-formed International Council, particularly its President (or head) *Mason Remey..."* [19]

"The four-fold objectives of the forthcoming [ten-year; 1953-1963] crusade...marking the...Most Great Jubilee [1963]...The establishment of a Bahá'í Court in the Holy Land, preliminary to the emergence of the Universal House of Justice." [20]

"Objectives of the Ten Year Plan at the World Center of the Faith in Israel... Establishment of an International Bahá'í Court." [21]

It is clear from the various statements made by Shoghi Effendi in his cablegrams, that his intention was three-fold:

(1) His appointment of the International Bahá'í Council, declaring Charles Mason Remey as President of the council and thus the "head".

(2) The International Bahá'í Council was to evolve into an International Bahá'í Court in 1963, as the prelude to the Universal House of Justice — Charles Mason Remey was still the appointed "Head".

(3) The International Bahá'í Court would further evolve into the duly elected body of the Universal House of Justice. The guardian or appointed Head would reside as president of this House of Justice and was a member for life. (Shoghi Effendi further clarified the evolvement of the Universal House of Justice by naming a Supreme Tribunal that would precede the fully elected Universal House of Justice.)

The Declared Plan of Shoghi Effendi Violated by the Hands of the Cause

The guardian, Shoghi Effendi, passed away in November of 1957. The Hands of the Cause would meet in conclave (secret meetings) and declared that Shoghi Effendi had left no will in which he had appointed a successor to the guardianship. Thus, the Hands took control of the Bahá'í Faith, and in 1963 called for the election of the Universal House of Justice, rather than establishing an International Bahá'í Court as laid out by Shoghi Effendi.*

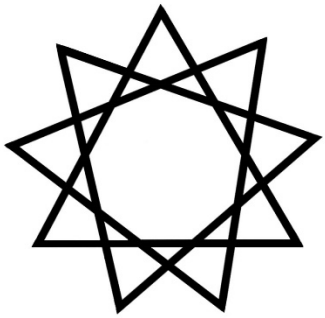
"The Guardian had given the Bahá'í world explicit and detailed plans covering the period until Ridvan 1963, the end of the Ten Year Crusade. From that point onward, unless the Faith were to be endangered, further Divine guidance was essential. This was the second pressing reason for the calling of the election of the Universal House of Justice." [22]

*For a detailed explanation of the numerous violations of the *Will and Testament of 'Abdu'l-Baha*, see article https://www.academia.edu/90930290/What_Happened_After_Shoghi_Effendi_Died

[18] Shoghi Effendi, cablegram, April 25, 1951, ibid, p.12
[19] Shoghi Effendi, cablegram, March 2, 1951, ibid, p.8
[20] ibid. pp 41,42
[21] Shoghi Effendi, The Bahá'í Faith — Information Statistical and Comparative — Including Supplement — Ten Year International Bahá'í Teaching and Consolidation Plan — 1953-1963, 1953, p.64; also cited in Bahá'í World Biennial International, Vol. 12, April 1950-1954, 1981, p.263.
[22] Universal House of Justice, *Wellspring of Guidance Messages 1963-1968*, 1976, p.46

Ignoring Shoghi Effendi's "explicit and detailed plans," the Hands of the Cause violated the precious Covenant of Bahá'u'lláh and Will and Testament of 'Abdú'l-Bahá, by electing a so-called Universal House of Justice in 1963. It was in this same year that Charles Mason Remey left Haifa, Israel, and moved to America.

> *"America will assuredly evolve into a center from which waves of spiritual power will emanate, and the throne of the Kingdom of God will, in the plentitude of its majesty and glory, be firmly established."*

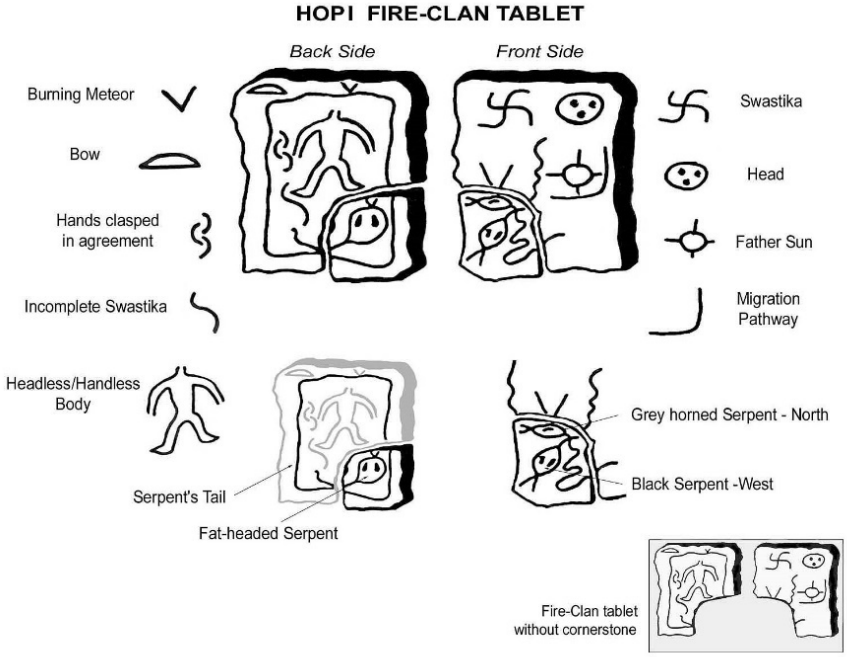


This was also the year, in which the establisher of the Bahá'í Faith would be resisted by the declared satan of our age, fulfilling the prophecies as written within the book of Zechariah. He is the "Pahana" of the Hopi prophecies, restoring the true path that the Hands of the Cause had attempted to permanently destroy. In 1963, Grandfather David is said to have seen a nine-pointed star (a symbol of the Bahá'í Faith) in their sky, meaning, to them, that prophecy had been fulfilled, and the guardian of their land had come to them.

In truth, the Pahana had returned!

The Hopi Fire Clan Tablet

It is believed when the Hopi first arrived in the Americas, the prophet Enoch presented a tablet to the Hopi Fire Clan. A corner of the tablet was broken off so no one was able to fully decipher the meaning of the symbols on the tablet. Enoch told them that a promised one would come in the future who would be able to reveal the hidden meaning of the symbols, as well as returning the piece that was broken off. This individual would appear from the Father Sun in the east with the missing cornerstone, revealing the ancient prophetic warning for all the people of the world.



The one who comes from the east is Bahá'u'lláh, the "Glory of the Father," the return of Christ.

The Symbols of the Tablet

Front



SWASTIKA
Symbolizes obedience to the Creator.



HEAD
Guardian of the land or Guardian of the Cause of God.



FATHER SUN
Bahá'u'lláh – the Manifestation of our age – brings the new life plan of peace and justice on earth.



MIGRATION PATH
The direction from the East to the West and then North.

Cornerstone

On the front-side of the missing cornerstone are two serpents: the Black Serpent of the West and the Grey-horned Serpent of the North. On the back-side of the cornerstone there is the fat-headed serpent with its tail encircling the entire tablet. This is representative of the corruption of religion through man-made ritual and dogma. Serpents in prophecy have always symbolized the intellect and thus the serpents depicted on the tablet represent the intellect in response to the appearance of the promised one.

The front-side of the tablet symbolizes obedience to the Creator's life-plan as now revealed through the Manifestation of our age — Bahá'u'lláh, and the plan for peace and justice for all people. As his revelation was born in the East, it spread to the West, the land where the establisher was born.



BURNING METEOR
Symbol of a celestial body that will hit the earth. One of the four winds of destruction.



BOW
Symbol of the Covenant or promise of the Creator.



CLASPED HANDS
Represents the Hands of the Faith who opposed the continuation of the Guardianship after the passing of Shoghi Effendi.



INCOMPLETE SWASTIKA
Represents disobedience to the Creator.



HEADLESS/HANDLESS BODY
Symbolizes the elected body of the Universal House of Justice without the guardian at its head. This body was the creation of the Hands who had violated the covenant.

The Hopi Fire Clan Tablet reveals the Creator's life plan — a plan brought through the revelation of Bahá'u'lláh's. It also reveals the corruption of those who turned away from the covenant — the creation of a man-made religion that is in opposition to the Creator's life plan for all peoples and nations. Humankind has consistently turned away from the Creator's plan, and thus, the "gourd of ashes" as depicted on prophecy rock, will empty itself upon the people, and ultimately a new age will then dawn upon humankind.

Conclusion

Written in the 1970s, the visions of Lame Deer and Sun Bear seem to be a logical extension of current events. After all, even prophecies conform to the laws of cause and effect. The difference between the prophet and the scientist is that the scientist relies on the process of deduction, while the prophet simply dreams. The scientist functions out of the conscious mind, the prophet from the unconscious.

There are two concepts common to all the prophecies presented here. One speaks of a change of worlds, another of the importance of American Indian traditions, particularly their reverence for Mother Earth. Our present way of life is dysfunctional and outmoded. Choosing one or the other does not bring us into the new earth cycle envisioned by the prophets. Accepting certain Indian traditions doesn't mean rejecting all things from the white world. Each way can stand side-by-side like monumental pillars forming a gateway between which the path of the new way leads into the future.

Native traditions are rooted in magic, myth and metaphor. Western traditions are rooted in science, history and fact. For the first time in human history, both are accessible. In a very real sense, these differing world views are like the two hemispheres of the brain: the intuitive right and the reasoning left. The synergistic potential of incorporating native and Western thought is an exciting and difficult prospect. But in a world that is long on problems and short on alternatives, this notion should be considered.

For example, take the concept of time. As mentioned earlier, the native view is circular, the Western is linear. In fact, Western linear time actually stands on end; the past is at the bottom, the new and improved present in at the top. That's called progress. Now, when you combine the two concepts the result is a spiral. It is a different image retaining the qualities of both, but its implications are deeper and richer.

For many, changing lifestyles and modifying world-views have a quality about them akin to dying. For, indeed, such changes mean the end of the familiar world; but death isn't necessary. Imagine a caterpillar. It lives its life voraciously eating leaves until one day through some mysterious impulse it wraps itself in a cocoon and emerges some time later as a butterfly. It no longer creeps along on branches eating leaves, but takes wing and flies from flower to flower sipping nectar. The caterpillar didn't die, it simply transformed itself.

Human history is a story of transformation. We change our physical world through technology and our metaphysical world through religion. Many of our present difficulties arise out of the fact that our physical world is shifting faster than our ability to assimilate the changes. Concurrently, our spiritual life has atrophied from inattention. Our bodies and our spirits are off balance and out of sync. This results in feelings of confusion, impotence and stress.

The importance of America within this transformation from a secular, material society, cannot be understated. Native American prophecies, along with prophecies from Judeo-Christian Scripture, clearly show the demise of not only America, but of Western civilization as a whole. America will arise again and lead the world into a new world — a world based upon spiritual virtues. It's future has been seen by many. From its very inception, America was destined to play an important role in the establishment of this "New World Order."

The English program for establishing permanent settlements along the Atlantic coast had been under the direction of Sir Francis Bacon, of whom it is said was the head of the European Rosicrucian mystics of his day. Those men made sure that the American colonists were thoroughly indoctrinated with the principles of religious tolerance, political democracy and republicanism, social equality and capitalism, a form of government not found among any other nations. Many members of the Rosicrucian's and other secret societies are said to have emigrated to America to establish their organizations in the "New Atlantis". Their occult ideas were incorporated into the designs of the Great Seal, the flag, and other American symbols. The eminent occultist Manly P. Hall wrote of this in *The Secret Destiny of America*:

> *"The American nation desperately needs this vision of its own purpose... America's true destiny will remain a secret as long as great masses of people have no knowledge whatsoever that enlightened humanitarians through thousands of years have in their own and succeeding generations remained united on the high purpose of eventually instituting democratic throughout the entire world. It is necessary to know, too, that it was anciently planned that leadership would fall to America — to a nation to be established on the Northern continent of the Western Hemisphere... "Long before Columbus, they were aware of the existence of the Western Hemisphere, and selected it to be the site of the philosophic empire. The American continent was set apart for establishing here a great democratic nation, centuries before the founding fathers and colonists envisioned the Union..."* [23]

Unfortunately, the elitist social engineers of the so-called New World Order have utterly subverted the true intent and meaning of the purpose of the United States. The result will be the continuing downward spiral we are currently witnessing, and the "purification" of our earth and all humankind as foreseen by the prophets.

In his *Anatomy of Revolution*, Crane Brinton compared the periods preceding four major revolutions: the American, French, Russian and the Glorious Revolution of England (1642). Those periods all had ominous similarities to the present condition of the United States. All major revolutions witnessed the following:
"(1) A long period of economic growth followed by a period of sluggish growth or decline; (2) The frustration of rising expectations of the middle class and lower class, who had become used to getting a little more each year; (3) A ruling class divided and inept with many feeling guilty about their position or being overly sympathetic with the underdogs; (4) A significant increase in corruption, crime and immorality; (5) Increased rebelliousness and alienation of youth from the older generation; (6) Desertion

[23] Hall, Manly P.: *The Secret Destiny of America*; 1944, Philosophical Res. Soc., L.A., CA

of the establishment by the intellectuals and increased indifference to politics on the part of the general population, making it possible for small, tightly organized groups to wield influence, or take over… [24]

In *The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire*, Edward Gibbon showed several basic reasons why the great civilizations deteriorated and died. All these conditions exist on a global scale today: (1) Crumbling dignity and sanctity of the family and home; (2) High taxes; (3) "Bread and circuses" entertainment — i.e., televised sports, soap operas, etc.; (4) Ever-increasing pleasure-seeking, decadence, and immorality; (5) Massive buildup of military forces; (6) Weak leadership; (7) the decay of individual responsibility; and (8) Religious apostasy.

Jim Brown, author of *When Nations Die*, lists "10 Warning Signs of a Culture in Crisis": (1) Increasing lawlessness; (2) Loss of economic discipline; (3) Oppressive bureaucracy; (4) Decline of educational excellence; (5) Weakening of cultural foundations; (6) Loss of respect for tradition; (7) Gross materialism; (8) Gross immorality; (9) Decay of religious belief; and (10) Devaluing of human life.[25]

All of the above symptoms are very evident in our society today. The average span of the world's great civilizations has been about 200 years. The USA is just over 200 years old and stumbling headlong into the home stretch of this historical cycle.

In *The Decline and Fall of the Athenian Republic*, Tyler wrote this of great civilizations:

> *"They begin in Bondage. They then go from Bondage to Spiritual Faith. With that Spiritual Faith, they develop great Courage. That Great Courage leads to Liberty. Liberty then leads to Abundance. Abundance then leads to Selfishness. This Selfishness then leads to Complacency. The Complacency grows into Apathy. Apathy then degenerates into Dependence. This Dependence brings them full circle back into Bondage."*

The United States of America, along with other industrialized nations, is in the last stages of the cycle. The situation we are currently experiencing is caused by our belief that we can supersede the Creator's life plan with one of our own design. "Religion" has, and remains, the very foundation of history. Unfortunately, it has become the cause of misery, discontent and disunity.

The Bahá'í Faith teaches that religion is progressive, with all having a common foundation. Its source is Divine — One Creator. The great civilizations of humankind, over the course of the past 6000 years, have each had a Divine Manifestation or Teacher, bringing a fresh measure of the Divine Plan. The Bahá'í Faith, founded by Bahá'u'lláh, is the last during this cycle. It teaches that the truth of religion is relative, that the various revelations as given by Adam, Moses, Jesus, Muhammad, etc., are all One Revelation from One Divine Source. Any differences that may be apparent are due to the capacity of the people at the time of the Manifestations appearance. Today, we are witnessing all that the prophets of old have written. A new age is dawning upon all the peoples and nations of the world.

[24] Brinton, Crane: *International Moneyline* (November 1976)
[25] Brown, Jim: *When Nations Die*; 1994, Tyndale House Publ., Wheaton, IL

APPENDIX

The First and Only Legal Seal of the United States

After the Declaration of Independence had been written and signed, a committee was formed to create an official emblem of the new and sovereign nation.

The founding fathers, while still under British rule, knew that the time had come to establish a new nation. It is known that seven signers of the Declaration of Independence were Freemasons and possibly more. They, in turn, received aid from a secret body existing in Europe. Masonry, during the time of the revolution, was an active spiritual fraternity. Its mission was the promulgation of a Divine plan — one that would embrace all of humanity — the uplifting of the human spirit, the good of the common person and the brotherhood of all.

The reverse of the Great Seal of the United States is said to be the signature of the secret body in Europe. It has been suggested that this organization greatly aided the revolution* and to establish a new nation for "a peculiar and particular purpose known only to the initiated few." [26]

The committee, formed by Benjamin Franklin, John Adams, and Thomas Jefferson submitted a drawing to Congress that depicted Moses leading the Israelite slaves out of Egypt. This proposed version was never accepted by Congress. They then commissioned Mr. William Barton of Philadelphia, whose trade was heraldry, to design a seal for the government. Along with congressman Charles Thompson, Mr. Barton created the Great Seal of the United States of 1782. This is the first and truly only legal seal of the United States.



**It is interesting to note that many of the officers and regulars of the Continental Army and the British Army were members of the same Masonic fraternity of the time. "American commanders and personnel…arose to become not just comrades-in-arms, but also fellow Freemasons. Fraternal bonds were thus forged between regular British troops and their colonial colleagues…Freemasonry would come to suffuse the whole of colonial administration, society and culture…The Freemasonry of the age was a repository for an imaginatively stirring and potent idealism…And the New World seemed to offer a species of blank slate, a species of laboratory in which social experiment was possible and the principles enshrined by Freemasonry could be applied in practice."* (Michael Baigent and Richard Leigh, *The Temple and the Lodge*, (New York, NY; Arcade Publishing, 1989) 211.

[26] From Manly P. Hall's book, *Secret Teachings of All Ages*, cited by Peter Tompkins, *Secrets of the Great Pyramid* (Appendix edition, Livio Catullo Stecchini, 1971) 38

It was suggested by Thomas Jefferson, and accepted by Congress, that the Seal be two-sided and that both sides were to be used to attest to the signature of the president on official documents. This never occurred. In spite of the Act of 1782, reconfirmed by Congress in 1884, the die for the reverse has never been cast. The only "official" use appears on the back of the one-dollar bill, and that wasn't put there until 1935.

The obverse side of the Seal has been cast six times: 1825, 1841, 1871, 1885 and 1904. One reason for the suppression of the reverse side deals with its symbolism.

Symbolism of the Great Seal

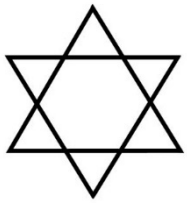
The "Legal Seal" shows an image of the Phoenix bird with the shield on its chest. The ancient myth of the Phoenix, the long-lived mighty bird, builds a nest of fire as it feels its death coming on. Thus, the Phoenix willingly places itself into this self-made fire, which consumes all of the corrupted elements it contains. Then, with the one spark of purity remaining, it is revitalized and rises from the ashes and goes on to live for many more centuries. [Note here the similarity to the Hopi prophecy as symbolized by the "gourd of ashes."]

The "Eagle" is also an ancient symbol of spiritual vision and regeneration, emphasizing the control and sublimation of personal ambition, transformed then into spiritual vision.

The "Shield" or "Escutcheon," both on the legal and "illegal" (as Congress never approved this seal), signifies protection. It is placed over the area of the heart, for the heart symbolizes love, which is the fuel of the regenerative process. It is the cohesive force of the universe, bringing opposites together.

The original 13 stars were arranged to make a six-pointed star — the "Star of David." The six-pointed star is a symbol for the macrocosm of the universe. The upright triangle is the material world; the inverted triangle is the divine world. One is a mirror image of the other. "As above, so below." The number six suggests harmony and man's sixth sense — clairvoyance or imagination.





The five-pointed star, or pentacle, is a symbol of man and the five senses. It was used by the Pythagorean School to signify health and harmony. The use of the five-pointed star means the regeneration of humankind through love and unity and thus becomes transformed into the macrocosm — the six-pointed star. Thus, humankind becomes divine through a process of regeneration.

The "Olive Branch" with its 13 leaves and 13 berries symbolizes peace.

The motto "E Pluribus Unum" signifies, out of many one. It also refers to the phrase "The brotherhood of man [many] and the fatherhood of God [one]." Thomas Jefferson was responsible for the suggestion of this motto and is usually found in the preface to the "Masonic Bible."

Symbolism of the Reverse



The "Eye of Providence" sits at the top of the pyramid, the central image on the reverse. The pyramid is a representation of the Great Pyramid of Gizeh. This fact is proven by the statement from Tiffany and Company, the metal casters who recast the seal in 1884, into the form that it is now.

> *"Regarding the reverse, the Pyramid is drawn to scale of the Great Pyramid; the side seen in perspective to the right means East, this view being desired."*

The purpose of this was to show in the Great Seal of the United States, a relation between the information contained within the Great Pyramid, and the spiritual destiny of the United States.

The view then is looking towards the West, the direction from which the Hopi Pahana appears.

The eye also shows that this person embodies the awareness of the significance of the Great Pyramid of Gizeh and has been able to unlock its secrets and explain the meaning intended by the builders.

The date found at the base of the pyramid reads 1776. It is interesting to note that there are nine letters in this number and is in approximately the same position as the nine tail feathers of the eagle on the opposite side of the seal. Nine (9) is a complete number and is placed on the foundation of the pyramid. "Foundation" is the meaning of the Hebrew word "Yesod," which is the ninth sephirah on the Qabalistic Tree of Life. Bahá'u'lláh is the ninth Manifestation of the Adamic Cycle.

The reverse contains two mottos: "Novus Ordo Seclorum," or New Order of the Ages, and "Annuit Coeptis," He favors [or prospers] our undertaking. New Order of the Ages is a reference to the future when humankind will be united together. The "New Order" symbolizes the revelation of Bahá'u'lláh and the teachings given that will aid humankind towards this ultimate goal — a world united and at peace.

The Number 13

The number 13 is often considered as being unlucky to many people. Its obvious intent was to the original thirteen colonies that was the beginning of the United States. We then have 13 stripes on the shield, 13 arrows in the eagles talon, 13 leaves and berries of the olive branch, 13 letters in the motto, "E Pluribus Unum," and 13 stars above the eagle, in a "burst of glory," or Bahá. On the reverse there are 13 layers of stone in the pyramid and 13 letters in the motto, "Annuit Coeptis."

Throughout the history of the United States, the number 13 has been shown to be prominent. The digits, '*76* add up to thirteen. *July the Fourth* has thirteen letters as does the *American Eagle*, our national bird. The flag of Massachusetts, during the revolution, displayed a pine tree with a rattlesnake coiled at its base. Above the tree was the motto, *An Appeal to God*, thirteen letters, and beneath the snake, *Don't Tread On Me*, also thirteen letters. George Washington and twelve of his generals were Freemasons and thirteen ships comprised our first navy.

Secret societies used the number 13 to symbolize birth and regeneration, like the Phoenix and the Eagle, as a symbol for completeness and infinity. Being a number that is indivisible, it also suggested one nation undivided — or one world, undivided.

The reverse of the seal may never have come to light had it not been for Henry A. Wallace, who discovered the reverse in a State Department publication of 1909, written by Gailliard Hunt. Wallace, a 32nd degree Mason, recognized the importance of the symbolism and intended to have a coin minted showing both the obverse and reverse. He took his idea to President Franklin D. Roosevelt, also a 32nd degree Mason. Roosevelt decided to have it printed on the back of the one-dollar bill, where it did appear in 1935. This has been the only "official use" of the reverse of the Great Seal of the United States.

